

## PERRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES – NOVEMBER 3, 2014

The Perry County Board of Commissioners convened at 6:00 p.m. as was duly advertised. All three Commissioners (President Thomas Hauser, Bill Amos and Randy Kleaving) were in attendance. Also, present was a media representative from the Perry County News, County Administrator, Teresa Kanneberg and County Attorney Chris Goffinet.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### CLAIMS

The claim dockets were presented in the amounts of \$184,064.06 for county claims; \$107,553.87 for highway claims; advance claims of \$1,424.25, \$24,717.00, \$351.00 and \$908.37 for a total of \$319,018.55. Also, presented was the payroll that was distributed on November 3, 2014 in the amount of \$121,347.60. Bill made a motion to approve all claims and payroll, and Randy seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

### SHERIFF SPECIFICATIONS

County Auditor, Connie Berger, presented the commissioners with the 2015 specifications for the following item; 20,000 gallons of gasoline for the Sheriff's Department. It was explained that the bids would be opened at the commissioner's first meeting in December. Randy made the motion to approve the specification and Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

### HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL FOR 2015

Cathy Dunn with Dunn and Associates, Inc. attended the meeting to discuss the 2015 renewal of the county health insurance. She explained that as the third party administrator they had contacted several companies for renewal rates for health insurance for 2015. Cathy reviewed several reports with the commissioners on the current plan. She explained that because of the Affordable Care Act (Health Care Reform) there are some new requirements that the county will have to do, but several of the items Perry County is already doing.

Currently we are in compliance with the following items:

- Working part-time employees under 30 hours a week
- Waiting period of new hires not to exceed 90 days
- Affordable Coverage
- Minimum Value
- Patient Centered Outcome Research Institute Fee
- W2 Reporting

Items that the County will need to start doing:

- Dependent Children to age 26 regardless of other coverage
- Pre-existing Conditions eliminated
- Transitional Reinsurance Fee
- IRS Reporting Requirements
- Health Plan Identifier

Cathy stated that they will be working with the county to make the necessary changes so Perry County is compliant on all the Affordable Care Act requirements. She explained that the county will be required to file the paper work on the Transitional Reinsurance Fee and pay a fee of \$63.00 per person on the plan. She discussed some changes to the benefits for county employees that she feels will help them. The deductible will remain the same at a rate of \$350 for single coverage and \$600 for family coverage. Coinsurance limit will remain the same at \$900.00 and \$1,800 family. New for 2015 would be a coinsurance limit on drug coverage at a rate of \$1,500 for single coverage and \$3,000.00 for family coverage. Also, for 2015 there will no longer be a limit on the amount spent for Preventative Care as long as you stay in network. She stated that employees are doing a good job of using Generic Prescription Drugs.

She explained that for 2015 we will once again be purchasing two types of insurance; specific and aggregate. At this time Dunn and Associates, Inc. is suggesting that the county

stay with American Fidelity Insurance Company for 2015, but is suggesting a \$50,000 fixed cost instead of the \$45,000 that we currently have. At this time we have two lasers and waiting on the third on before a definite decision can be made. They should know within the next few days. She stated that overall the county insurance went up about 4% for the year which is very good.

Randy made a motion to approve all changes recommended by Dunn and Associates and Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. It was explained that the Trustees would now meet to determine the 2015 Health Insurance Rates and make their recommendation at the next Commissioners meeting.

#### **PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

Park and Recreation Director, Adam Tempel, explained that they were in the process of purchasing a new 2015 Dodge 4x4 truck to be used by the Parks department. He stated that he had met with the president and vice president of the County Council and discussed how the best way to pay for the vehicle would be. After some discussion it was decided to do a 3 year lease purchase and make the payments from the Riverboat Wagering Fund. He explained that letters had been mailed to the local banks along with the dealership to request quotes on the 3 year lease. The cost of the truck will be \$25,557.

County Attorney, Chris Goffinet, opened the following quotes for a 3 year lease purchase of the 2015 Dodge Truck at a cost of \$25,557.

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| • Freedom Bank of Rockport                        | 3.25% |
| • Ally (Dealership where truck will be purchased) | 6.34% |
| • German American Bank (\$100 Document Fee)       | 2.48% |
| • Old National Bank (\$300 Document Fee)          | 2.35% |

After some discussion between the commissioners on the interest rates, Bill made the motion to accept the quote from German American Bank at a rate of 2.48%. Randy seconded the motion and motion carried 3-0.

#### **HIGHWAY SPECIFICATIONS**

Highway Superintendent, Steve Howell, presented the commissioners with the 2015 specifications for the following items; on road and off road diesel, crushed stone and culverts for the Highway Department. It was explained that the bids would be opened at the commissioners meeting on December 1st. Bill made the motion to approve the specifications and Randy seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **ORDINANCE- FAIR HOUSING**

County Attorney, Chris Goffinet, explained that Nathan Held from Indiana 15 Regional Planning Commission had contacted him and stated that the county needed to amend their current Fair Housing Ordinance to include the following statement: "the definition of "family" is revised to include families regardless of the actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status of its members. Chris explained that the Ordinance needed to be amended to comply with federal regulations. Region 15 requested this amendment in order to file the grant paper work for the Perry County Museum grant application. Bill made the motion to amend the Fair Housing Ordinance and Randy seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. (See Attachment "A" Ordinance O-C-14-8)

#### **BORAD APPOINTMENT**

Perry County Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees: County Administrator, Teresa Kanneberg, reminded the commissioners that they had an appointment to the Hospital Board of Trustees. She explained that one letter had been received from Rita Mahoney asking to be reappointed to the board, along with a letter from Joe Stuber, ECO of the hospital, recommending her. Randy made the motion to reappoint Rita Mahoney to another 4 year term (9-30-14 to 9-30-18) on the Hospital Board of Trustees. Bill seconded the motion and motion carried 2-0 with Tom abstaining due to being a part-time employee of the hospital.



### CONTRACT

County Administrator, Teresa Kanneberg, explained that for the last several years the county has used B&B Extermination, Inc for pest control within the courthouse and the annex buildings. Pest Pro Plus a locally owned business had contacted her and asked to give a quote for the pest control of the two buildings. A quote was received from Pest Pro Plus for \$82.00 a month or \$984.00 a year and from B&B Extermination in the amount of \$85.50 per month or \$1,026.00 per year. Randy made the motion to accept the quote from Pest Pro Plus and Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

### ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

Teresa Kanneberg, County Administrator, requested an additional appropriation request within the Commissioners budget from Distribution of Timber Sales in the amount of \$2,225.82. She explained that this amount is divided between the local fire departments and the rescue squad so each will receive \$318.00. Bill made the motion to approve the request and Randy seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

### DISPLAY

Commissioner Tom Hauser stated that Cheri Taylor with the Chamber of Commerce had asked if the wooden Perry County display unit in honor of the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Perry County could be located in the rotunda of the courthouse. The display was donated by Waupaca Foundry. Bill made the motion to accept the display and Randy seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

### MISCELLANEOUS

Jim Carter attended the meeting and discussed a letter the commissioners had received from a concerned citizen within Tell City about a cat problem along Main Street. He stated that he will be attending the next County Council meeting to discuss the County Option Income Tax. He feels that the tax needs to be imposed before anything can be done. Jim stated that the county and Tell City need to work together and work along with the Animal Control Board. Tom stated that until a plan is presented showing what action should be taken and the cost of the action, then the council should not pass the tax. The Animal Control Board should be the ones that develop the plan. Bill stated that the board itself should be working together. Jim stated that he needed the commissioner's help in getting the County Council to support a dog tax.

Teresa announced that the next meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m.

The meeting ended in open session at 7:20 p.m.

Minutes approved this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December 2014.

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Thomas J. Hauser  
President

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Bill Amos

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Randy Kleaving

*Minutes prepared by:  
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